

# The Caledonian Mercury.

Edinburgh, Tuesday, July 5, 1726.

From the Flying Post, June 28.

Extract of a Letter from Madrid June 11.

**T**HE Affair of the Duke de Ripperda is involved with more Difficulties than was at first imagined. The Council of Castile are not clear in the point, whether they can declare him a Traitor to his Country. They may search long enough for Instances or Precedents of a Case which tallies exactly with that of this Foreigner. They have indeed found out that one William Pelleffier, Bishop of Montpellier, who was a French Ambassador at Venice in the Reign of Francis I. was turned out of all his Employments, and yet gratified with a Pension as a Reward for his Services; but the Circumstances are not the same in the one Case as in the other. The Prisoner has laid his Finger on this Precedent. He alleges that being discharged from his Ministry, and being born a Subject of their High Mightinesses, the States General of the united Provinces, he has a Right to demand a Passport to return home to his own Country; and he pretends moreover, that his Masters ought to reclaim him, by virtue of the Treaties of Peace; what will be done with him is not yet known. Mean Time the Emperor's Ambassador exclaims terribly against him for not remitting to Vienna, the Sums which were stipulated by the late Treaty. He pretends that the Councils of this Minister naturally tended to a Rupture; and it looks as if his Disgrace, which was fomented moreover by the Envy of the Grandees, was designed chiefly as a Satisfaction to the Court of Vienna.

Letters from Warsaw say, that on the 17th a great Conference was held there in Presence of the Prince Royal, upon Occasion of the late Tumult at Dresden; great Interest is made by several Courts in favour of the Persons who were the Authors of it; and this Court is puffed in what Manner to punish them, for fear of the Consequences. The King on his Part, would pardon them with all his Heart, rather than exasperate a great Body who is very much in their Interest. On the other Hand, if exemplary punishment be not inflicted, 'tis feared either that the restless Faction will take Advantage of such Impunity, or that the Parties injured

will themselves make Reprisals; what gives the more Cause for this Apprehension is, the News we hear, that the Students at Leipsick have also attempted to make an Insurrection, insomuch, that they actually attacked the House of a Roman Catholick Gentleman, but by great Care taken, this Affair had no mischievous Consequence.

From the Evening Post, June 28.

Paris, July 3. Letters from Rohan say, That a young Gentleman called Voicy was buried there the 20th of last Month, his Parents giving out that he died suddenly, but the unnatural Hatred his Father and Mother bore to him, and the barbarous Treatment he suffered from them, giving the Attorney General just Grounds of Suspicion, together with Informations given since, that Magistrate caused the Father, Mother, and their youngest Son to be apprehended and confined in a Dungeon. This youngest it seems was their Darling; they had purchased for him a Place of Counsellor, in the Presidial of Rohan, and for his Sake misused their other Children. Orders have been sent to the Intendants in the several Provinces of this Kingdom, not to levy the Tax of two per Cent. upon the Clergy, because they are to give his Majesty a free Gift in lieu of it, at their next general Assembly, which will begin on the 25th of September next at Moulon, during the Residence of the Court at Fountainbleau. The Receivers General of the Finances, must advance his Majesty five Millions each Month to the first of January next.

London, June 28. We hear that the Gold Medal mentioned in some of the Papers of last Week to be sent from the Czarina, was presented to Mr. Hill, Author of the *Northern Star*, a Poem, not inscribed to the Czar, but published several Years ago on the great Genius and Actions of that Prince, in English, and out of which we are assured, it has been ordered to be translated into the Russian Tongue; and the Czarina on hearing it read, was pleased to order a Medal to be presented in her Name to the Author. It is of a very large Stamp, with the Head of the Czar on one Side, and on the Reverse he is represented, as carried by Fame into Eternity, and pointing



ing down to the Czarina, who sits mournful on the Sea Shore, encircled with the Trophies of Arts and Arms, and the Motto in the Slavonian Tongue, is, *See how glorious a Repompence I have left you.*

*From the London Gazette, June 28.*

*Leghorn, June 8.* This being his Britannick Majesty's Birthday, it was celebrated by Consul Skinner and the British Factory here, with all Duty and Loyalty; the British Ships in the Port firing their Guns.

'Tis advis'd from Florence, That the Great Duke of Tuscany is in very good Health, and has been frequently at the Italian Comedy.

*From the Post-Man, June 28.*

*Cadix, June 4.* A Ship is arriv'd here, commanded by Capt. Fontana, which came from Cartagena the 30th of March, and from Havana the 22d of April, having on board 575000 Pieces of Eight ready coined, most Part for the King's Account, with a great Quantity of Cocoa nut, Wooll of Vigogne, &c. for private Men. The Captain says, That 8 Ships more arriv'd at Panama from Lima, with 9,043,753 Pieces of Eight Silver coin'd, 2,9491,133 Pieces of Eight in Bars, 1,939505 Pieces of Eight in Gold Species, and 21,427 Pieces of Eight in Gold dust and Ingots; the Whole amounting to about 13,954,424 Pieces of Eight, 3 Ryals and an half, besides a great many other Effects. He adds, that more Ships were expected at Carthagena from Lima, with about 2 Millions and an half of Pieces of Eight; but that the Flotilla was not to sail homewards till towards the Beginning of July, and the Departure of the Galeons was not yet fix'd.

*Warsaw, June 18.* The Court has sent the Starost of Newski to Mittau, with a Rescript to the States of Courland, whereby they are most expressly forbid to assemble for the Choice of a new Duke, on pain of its being declared void and null both by his Majesty and the Regency. There is a new Species of Mortals in that Country, who wear no other Habits besides what Nature has given them, and such as our first Father wore in Paradise. They live only upon Grass, according to some; Bread and Milk, according to others, and speak a Language which no Body understands. From whence they came no Body knows, any more than their Customs and Religion. They seem very well pleas'd with their Condition of Life, and have nothing savage but the Figures. 'Tis said the King has given Orders to bring them hither, that some Body may study their Language, and thereby be enabled to understand them, and to form them to our Manners; tho' per-

haps to cure them of their native Simplicity and Ignorance, would be doing them an Injury.

*From the St. James's Evening Post, June 28.*

*Madrid, June 12.* The Infanta of which the Queen was deliver'd Yesterday, was immediately Baptiz'd by the Name of Maria-Theresa-Antonia-Raphaela.

*Rome, June 15.* Last Night Cardinal Paulucci died at the Palace of the Quirinal, and Yesterday he was buried. The Day after the Pope fill'd up the Places vacant by his Death, which were, Vicar, Abp. of Naples, Subdary, Vice-gerent, President of the Congregation of Bishops and Regulars, President of the Immunity, President of the Consultation, Protector of the Minor Clerks, Protector of the Hermits of Port St. Angelo, &c.

*Amsterdam, July 4.* The Ostenders perceiving some English Ships in the Channel sailing towards Ostend, had a Notion that they were coming to bombard them; but they are glad to find it was a false Alarm.

*London, June 28.* About 10 Days ago a Man was cut for the Stone in St. Bartholomew's Hospital, by Mr. Dobbins, after the old Way, in *Perinæo*, from whom he extract'd 6 Stones, one as big as a Turkey's Egg, two as big as Pigeons, the other 3 as French Nuts. He is like to do very well.

*Wye's Letter, verbatim, June 30.*

*Since our last arriv'd a Mail from France.*

Letters from Paris say, that on the 1st Inst. the King dispatch'd some Business with his Ministers, and on the 4th he held a Council of State. His Majesty's Resolution of governing his Subjects by himself, and as exactly as possible to follow the Steps of the late King his Great-Grandfather, (who was an utter Enemy to the House of Austria) cannot be very pleasing to the Imperial Court; where Conferences are daily held upon the present Posture of Affairs. And 'tis thought something odd, that his most Christian Majesty should, at such a juncture make this Change in the Ministry, and assure the Government in his own Hands.

We don't hear the Emperor has yet been able to obtain a Remittance of the Subsidy from his Catholic Majesty. 'Tis confirm'd that 50,000 Spanish Forces are order'd to march down to Catalonia, and that they shortly expected in the Mediterranean, the Fleet under Sir John Jennings. According to Advices from Strasburg, the French have got together there 30 Boats for making a Bridge, and stor'd their Magazines with all Sorts of

of Ammunition; that they are also making a great Number of Galleons, and that the Boors on that Side of the Rhine had begun already to save their best Effects, whereupon repeated Instances have been made to the Diet at Ratisbon, that they would furthwith augment the Garison of Philipsburg, and supply it with all Manner of Necessaries.

The Transports with the Land forces on board, and about 10 Men of War, are still in the Downs; and Rear-Admiral Hopson, who sailed the 26th with 8 Men of War westward, lies at Anchor off Dungeoness: But we hear nothing sarder of the 2 Bomb vessels. It may be the Emperor is brought to a Temper of complying to the Terms proposed, for accommodating the Affair of the Austrian East India Company: Where, by private Letters and Passengers we are informed, they are in such Confusion that the like was not known during all the Course of the late War; Merchants are removing their best Effects to the more Inland Parts, Troops marching by Night with Flambeaus, and Preparations making to lay the whole Country about Ostend under Water: In short, that whole Country is filled with dreadful Apprehensions of the Coming of the British Fleet. Which shews how vainly they have pretended to carry on a Trade so very prejudicial to the Subjects of this Nation, and contrary to many solemn Treaties and Engagements, and particularly that of the Barrier, to which his Majesty is Guarrantee.

The Accounts this Post from Edinburgh are; That his Majesty having given a Plate of 100 Guineas to be run for on the Sands of Leith, at any Time the Lord Provost, Magistrates and Council should appoint, 'tis said the same will be about the Middle of September; which gives them the agreeable Hopes of having a good deal of Diversion, the Town having resolved to give a Plate of 50 l. and that of Leith, one of 30 l.

They write from Ireland that the Bishop of Cloin is dangerously ill of a Mortification.

We hear the Dutchess of Shrewsbury is dead.

The Honourable John King, Esq; Son to the L. Chancellor, has a Grant of the Office of Out-ranger of Windsor-forest, of 600 l. a-year.

The Rev. Mr. Coulson, is presented to the Vacancy of Kilnsey, in the County and Diocese of York, and Mr. Alexander Page to the Rectory of Farnborough in Somersetshire.

'Tis said the Bishop of Frejus, who now acts under the King of France, has obtained the Dignity of Cardinal. That the Duke of Orleans has the Title of Royal Highness.

The Monmouth, one of the Ships belonging to our E. India Company, is not arrived at Plymouth, as mentioned in the Prints.

S. S. Stock, 104, 1 half. Annuities ditto, 97, 1 half. York Buildings, 14, 1 half.

From the Whitehall Evening-Post, June 30.

London, June 28. Both Passengers and Letters from Ostend, &c. are full of the Accounts of the inexpressible Consternation of the Inhabitants of that Place, as well as those of the neighbouring Cities and Towns, were struck with, upon the Report of Sir John Jennings Squadron being come before that Port; some say that at Brussels, Audenarde, &c. it looked like the last Day; all the Cities, Towns, Villages, &c. being in Motion, the Merchants and others moving their Effects, The Monks and Nuns flying from their Monastries, and the Regiments marching at Night by the Light of Flambeaux, the like having never been seen in those Parts: Such a dreadful Remembrance have the People of the Austrian Netherlands of the glorious Achievements of the English Nation.

Inverness, --- The Highland Companies continue to keep the Country peaceable. A Party of the L. Lovat's Company lately seized and brought Prisoner to this Town, one David Noble, a most notorious Robber and Thief, who much infested the Low Countries of the Shires of Ross and Inverness, for which 'tis hoped he'll suffer as he deserves.

Edinburgh, July 5. We hear that the Rt. Honourable the Lord Chief Baron Smith. of his Majesty's Exchequer in the Kingdom of Scotland, died lately at London.

N. B. The Mercury will not be published till Friday-Morning next, because of the Fast.

## A D V E R T I S E M E N T S.

That the Rooms called THE TOWN OF DALHOUSIE, belonging to the Rt. Honourable William Earl of Dalhousie, presently possess'd by William Wetherpoon, John Thomson younger, David Murray elder, David Murray younger, Baillie Mitchell, John Thomson elder, William and Patrick Whitlows; lying in the Parish of Cockpen and Sheriffdom of Edinburgh, being of yearly Rent, 388 Bolls Victual, and L. 233, 14, 7 Scots of Money: Are to be exposed to Sale by voluntar Roup, in the House of Arthur Reid Vintner in Edinburgh, upon the NINTH Day of August next 1726, at 3 a-clock in the Afternoon. The Progress and Rental are to be seen in the Hands of Alexander Glass Writer to the Signet, at his Writing-chamber opposite to the Tolbooth, Edinburgh.

That



†† There were stola out of the Parks of DUNTROON in the County of Forfar, about three Miles East from Dundee, on Wednesday the 22d of June past, betwixt 11 & 12 at Night, Two FINE HORSES of a good Value: The one, a Light-bay Gelding, with two white Feet, a black Tail and Mape, and a small Ratch in his Face, about fifteen Hands high; has no Goings. The other a Black-chestnut Pad, not so tall, but very broad, with a Bell in his Fore-head, rough footed, and has good Goings; both young Horses. Whoever can give Account of them to the Author of this Paper, or to Master David Graham at Duntroon, so as they may be got again, shall be sufficiently rewarded.

¶ To be sold at Castle-Skene (alias Caraldestoun) with in two Miles of Brechin in the Shire of Forfar, Seven very handsome COACH-MAREY, black-colour'd and well fill'd, the eldest not above Seven Years old: As also, a handsome NEW COACH, with Harness for Six Horses; and a Four-wheel'd CHaise, with Harness fit for a Pair of Horses; All belonging to the Executors of Major Skene deceased, and were bought at London by the Major a little before his Death. They are to be seen at the above Place; and any Person buying the whole, will get them the easier.

†† There is to be sold at Kello a choice Milch-Aff with a She-Colt, foaled the 15th past. Any who has a mind for the said Aff, may call at William Millar Gardner in the Abbey, or Samuel Robertson Merchant in Kello, who will inform to whom the Aff belongs.

#### Just Published,

The First Volume of the Lives of the Officers of the Crown and of the State in Scotland, from the Reign of King David I. to the Union of the two Kingdoms. By Mr. Crawford, Author of the PEERAGE. This Volume contains the Lives of the Chancellors, Chamberlains and Treasurers. Such Noblemen and Gentlemen who have subscribed for the Book, may be pleased to call at Mr. James MacEuen's Shop Bookfeller in Edinburgh, where they may have their Copies; and where likewise the Book is to be sold.

¶ That, according to Adjournment, the Lands and Barons of LOUNAN, ETHIE and NORTHARRIE, at Twenty one Years Purchase, and reckoning the Visual over-head at Five Pounds Scots the Boll: are to be exposed to Roup and Sale upon FRIDAY the Fifteenth Day of July Inst. as three of the Clock in the Afternoon, in the House of Alexander Stuart Vintner in Edinburgh; either separately or altogether, as shall be determined at the Time of the Sale; and whereof the free Rent is as follows, viz. Of the Lands and Barony of Lounan, 3 Firlots, one Peck Wheat; 77 Bolls 2 Firlots, 2 Pecks Bear; 172 Bolls Meal; 633 L. 6 sh. 8 d. Rents of Money-Rent; 24 Capons; beside 156 Poultry, not valued in the Rental. Of the Lands and Barony of Ethie, 3 Bolls Wheat, 86 Bolls Bear, 119 Bolls, 2 Firlots Meal, 519 L. 13 sh. 4 d. Scots of Money Rent, 9 Wedders, 21 Capons, 78 Elms of Linen Cloth, besides 99 Poultry, not valued in the Rental. And of the Lands and Barony of Northarrie, 172 Bolls, 1 Peck, 2 Lippies Bear, 69 Bolls, 2 Firlots Meal; 262 L. 5 sh.

4 d. Scots of Money-rent, 16 Capons, 9 Elms of Linen cloth, beside 15 Poultry, not valued in the Rental. All the said Lands, holding Blank of the Crown, and lying upon the Seacoast, near and about the Burgh of Aberbratock; and the particular Rentals, Conditions of Sale, and Progress of the Writs, are to be seen in the Hands of William Mercer Writer in Edinburgh.

Fishery-Office, June 28, 1726.

The Managers of the Copartnery are to expose to publick Sale, at their Office on THIS DAY the 5th July Inst. at 3 after Noon, at the following low Rates, for Encouragement of Bidders, viz.

Four new Herring-nets, at 3 L. sterl. each.

Eight ditto, containing 110 undress'd ditto, at 15 sh. each. Utensils for a Twine-work per Inventory, to be set up at L. 9, 17, 8 sterl.

Ditto for the Cod-fishing, as per Inventory; to be set up at L. 13, 15, 8.

Ditto for a Barking-house, per ditto to be set up at L. 14, 16, 4 sterl.

The above Goods will be shown at Leith by David Daes the Copartnery's Agent, and the Inventories and Articles of Roup, at their Office in the Lawn-market. Also there will be exposed to public Sale at the said Office, and at the same Hour, 88 Lasts, 1 3d of Herring Barrels lying at Peterhead, in one Lot, to be sold as they lie, at 14 sh. per Last.

Notice is also hereby given, That the Managers of the Fishing Copartnery are to expose to publick Sale by Roup, at their Office in the Lawn-Market in Edinburgh, THIS DAY the 5th of July Inst. at three in the Afternoon, the Lands and Fishertown of Peterhead with the Pertinents, and others belonging to the said Copartnery, lying in the Parish of Peterhead and Shire of Aberdeen, the yearly Rental whereof, amounts to 191 Bolls 2 Pecks of Bear, 199 Bolls and 2 Pecks 1 3d Meal, 2 Bolls of Oats, and L. 80. 4. 1 1 6th Sterling of Money Rent and Feu Duties, being the neat free Rent, over and above the Ministers Stipend. A tem the Feus of 37 Houses in Stonehaven, and Fish Boats in the said Town, belonging to the said Copartnery, lying in the Sheriffdom of Kincardin, the Free Rent whereof, amounts in all to L. 7. 12. 1 6th Sterling. Any Person who intends to bid for the above Purchase, may see the Particulars of the Rental, the Copartnery's Right, and the Conditions of Sale, at the Copartnery's Office.

The said Managers do likewise further give Notice, That all Persons who have Certificates, made out in their own Names, or who have Right to the same by Indorsation, may have their first Dividend of Fishery-Stock, at the Rate of 5 sh. sterl. per Pound, paid them at the Burrow-room, This Day, and on Friday next being the First of July, from 9 to 12 a clock in the Forenoon, and from 2 till 5 Afternoon; and that on Wednesday the 29th Inst. at the same Place and Hours, Certificates will be given out to such Persons as have Concern in the said Copartnery, who have hitherto omitted to call for them.

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